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C. SECRETARIO DE RELACIONES EXTERIORES. CIUDAD.

Muestro Agregado Militar a la Embajada de ME CO en los ESTADOS UNIDOS DE NORTEAMERICA, en radiograma fec do el día 22 del actual, dice lo siguiente:

"...SECCION INTELIGENCIA PENTAGONO REUNIO HO 1800 HORAS AGREGADOS MILITARES, AFROS Y NAVALES INFORMANDO SIGUIENTE: DESDE 12 AGOSTO CUBA INCREMENTO CAPACIDAD BELICA CON ARMAMENTO NUCLEAR. TIENE 12,200 PROYECTILES GUIADOS CON OJIVA NUCLEAR Y ALCANCE 1,200 A 2,200 MILLAS DISTRIBUIDOS 2 EMPLAZAMIENTOS SITUADOS REGION SAN CRISTOBAL, SANTA CLARA Y GUANAJAY. 12 LANCHAS LANZA PROYECTILES BASADAS REGION PUERT HABANA. 28 AVIONES MIG EN SAN JULIAN Y 40 EN SANTA CLARA. T ARMAMENTO INCLUYENDO EMPLAZAMIENTOS, PROYECTILES, LANCHAS Y AVIONES ESTARAN LISTOS OPERAR EN UNA SEMANA..."

LO QUE POR ACUERDO DEL C. GENERAL DE DIVISIO SECRETARIO me permito transcribir a usted, para su conocimia

ATENTAMENTE. SUFRAGIO EFECTIVO. NO REELECCION. EL CRAL.DE BCDA.DEM.JEFE DEL EMS.

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## Information Received by Mexican Military Attaché in Washington on Nuclear Weapons in Cuba, 26 October 1962

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### SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

In an October 22 radiogram, our military representative to the Mexican Embassy in the United States of America states the following:

"...The Intelligence Department of the Pentagon met with military representation from the Air Force and the Navy today at 6:00pm and informed them that since August 12, Cuba has added nuclear arms to its fighting capabilities. Cuba has 12,200 guided missiles with nuclear warheads that can reach 1,200 to 2, 200 miles. The missiles are distributed along 24 emplacements in the regions of San Cristobal, Santa Clara and Guanajay. They have 12 missile launching boats based in the Puerto Habana region. They have 28 MIG planes in San Julian and 40 in Santa Clara. All weapons, including the emplacements, the missiles, the boats and the planes, will be ready to operate in one week..."

Based on the agreement between the general commander of the division and the secretary, I am informing you of this for your knowledge.

Respectfully, [SUFRAGIO EFECTIVO. NO REELECCION.] [EL GRAL. DE BGDA. DEM. JEFE DEL EMS.]

> Miguel Hernandez Palacios. (123628)

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